

THE WEATHER
Washington, Aug. 23.—Fair tonight; Sunday partly cloudy.
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STRANG HELD IN \$35,000 BAIL; VOTE TO GIVE CHINA SHANTUNG

BRAND TELLER COMMON THIEF; AUNT IN TEARS

\$35 Clerk Accused of Looting North Penn Bank of \$400,000

CHEWS GUM AT HEARING; GEMS SPARKLE ON HANDS

Admits He Took Checks, but Says He Did It to Protect Himself

Tears in Strang's Eyes as He Kisses His Aunt

Elwood Strang showed signs of emotion three times today. A sobbing "Here I am, Elwood," from his elderly aunt, with whom he lived, as she and his sister came up behind him on Sansom street, was the first time.

He released himself from the detective and, putting his arms around his aunt, leaned over and kissed her. He wiped a tear from his eye as he rejoined the detectives.

The second time was when he heard his aunt sob during the hearing. He almost broke down as he shot her a reassuring look.

The other occasion was when the magistrate said, "\$35,000 bail." Strang gulped.

Branded "a common thief," charged with looting the North Penn Bank of nearly \$400,000, Elwood H. Strang, dapper paying teller, was held in default of \$35,000 bail this afternoon.

Yesterday, at York, former State Banking Commissioner Daniel E. Laffan was held in \$500 bail, also in the bank case.

While his aged aunt, Mrs. Anna Strang, sobbed, the young paying teller, who has been a fugitive since the bank closed its doors July 18, stood before the bar of justice today chewing gum, glancing first at Magistrate Rooney, then at his prosecutor, Assistant District Attorney Gordon.

When the amount of bail was announced he gulped, bit his thick lips and his face turned a dusky scarlet.

He grasped the railing before the desk. His attorney, Edward W. Wells, held his arm.

And a sob broke through the densely packed courtroom—it was his aunt, a woman he has always known as "mother." She alone believes him innocent.

Wears \$125 Suit
Not one of the men under suspicion of looting the bank has been definitely accused as the twenty-six-year-old teller.

Standing before the bar of Magistrate Rooney's court at 1510 Sansom street, wearing a \$125 suit and two diamond rings, the \$35 a week clerk held himself named second to Ralph T. Moyer, the cashier, "as a conspirator to loot the bank."

"But Moyer," insisted Strang's lawyer, "has been advertised as the brains of the alleged conspiracy to loot the bank, and he was held in only \$25,000 bail."

"Yes," interposed the magistrate, "but he did not see."

Mr. Gordon insisted that the man be held in \$35,000 bail.

"For your honor," said the assistant district attorney, "when this man was arrested there were found on his person checks of more than \$350,000—yes, almost \$400,000, which were the property of the bank. His was an act of an ordinary thief who goes into a place and takes money out."

Admits Strang Took Checks
Mr. Wells then frankly admitted that his client had taken the checks. He said, however, that they were not negotiable and of no value to Strang.

"They were assets of the bank," shouted Mr. Gordon.

The lawyer protested that his client and James B. MacBurney, who first was placed in charge of the wreck by

Girl's Hair Catches Fire, She Dies From Burns

Uses Gas Heater Instead of Electric Drier at Abington Y. M. C. A. After Swim. Friends Attempt to Rescue Victim

Miss Eleanor Asher, fifteen years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sydney S. Asher, of 1838 North Sixteenth street, is dead as the result of burns and inhaling gas fumes when her hair caught fire while she was trying to dry it in a room at the Abington Young Men's Christian Association, York road near Susquehanna road.

The girl attempted to dry her hair over a gas heater instead of using the electric driers provided for the purpose.

Miss Asher was staying with her parents at their summer home in Noble. Last night she went to the Abington Y. M. C. A. for a swim.

The Y. M. C. A., which permits young women to use the building three nights a week, installed some time ago a number of hair driers. During the coal shortage the institution found it necessary to put up several small gas heaters for heating purposes.

It appears that the young woman who occasionally uses the pool had found that the gas ranges dried the hair quicker than the electric driers. They used the ranges unknown to the officials of the institution.

BUTCHER BEATEN; ROBBED OF \$2100

Motor Bandits Attack Aged Business Man and Son-in-Law on Street

MAKE CLEAN GETAWAY

Two motor bandits attacked Franklin Rocksell, a butcher, early today at Thirtieth and Dauphin streets. After beating him into unconsciousness they stole \$2100 he carried in change and small notes. Rocksell's shop is at Second street and Fairmount avenue.

The butcher's son-in-law, David McKain, who lives with him at 2211 North Thirtieth street, was also beaten by the highwaymen, but an attempt was made to rob him.

Following the attack and the escape of the highwaymen in their machine Rocksell was taken to the Women's Homeopathic Hospital. He is suffering from cuts and bruises of the head and shoulders.

Rocksell, who is sixty years old, was unable to fight off the bandits. His son-in-law, who accompanied him to prevent just such a robbery, was knocked to the street by a blow on the head almost before the two men realized they were being attacked.

Robbers Approach in Auto
Rocksell left his home with McKain at 4 o'clock this morning. They walked to the corner of Thirtieth and Dauphin streets to get a trolley car. While they were standing on the southwest corner, an automobile was driven up slowly and Rocksell. He was struck repeatedly on the head and shoulders.

Suddenly two men jumped out of the machine and ran over to them. Both bandits were armed with small clubs.

McKain was struck over the head and fell to the street. The attack was then directed to Rocksell. He was struck by both highwaymen. When he fell to the street unconscious, one of the bandits removed a wallet and a cloth bag containing some change from his pockets. They failed to find \$225 the butcher carried in an inside pocket.

Following the robbery, the men ran across the street and leaped into their machine, which was driven off rapidly.

Fails to Get License Number
McKain recovered consciousness in time to see the men depart, but he failed to get the license number of their machine and brought to the attention of the police.

"It all happened so quickly I cannot tell much about it," he said. "I couldn't even give a good description of the men to the police."

The robbery is being investigated by the police of the Twenty-sixth and York streets station.

Mr. Katharine Rocksell, wife of the butcher, said that her husband also carried a large sum of money to the market on Saturday. His son-in-law accompanied him to protect him, she said.

Rocksell has been a butcher at the Fairmount avenue market for the last forty years.

TAKES DAY OFF; FINDS COMET
Cambridge, Mass., Aug. 23.—Discovery of a new comet by the Rev. J. H. Metcalf, of Winchester, while on a vacation at South Hero, Vt., was announced today by the Harvard Observatory. It was the first new comet to be discovered this year, observatory officials said, and the fifth which Mr. Metcalf has to his credit.

Identify Man Killed by Girder
The workman who was killed by a falling girder at Third and Vine streets yesterday and was taken to the morgue was identified today as John Call, forty-four years old, of 2710 Balastridge street.

'HER GOOD BOYS,' MRS. BERGDOLL CALLS TWO SONS

Mother of Draft Dodgers Wants Them Handled "Same as Other Slackers"

HOPES ONE WILL YET BE PRESIDENT OF U. S.

Speaks Bitterly of "Injustice" Being Done to Pair Who Fled War

WERE UNWILLING EVADERS

Would Advise Erwin to "Fix It With District Attorney" to Come Home

"All I ask for my boys—Grover and Erwin—is the same sort of treatment that is given to every other slacker."

"When I can get in touch with them I shall advise them to try to fix things up with the district attorney and come home."

Mrs. Emma Bergdoll, mother of Grover Cleveland Bergdoll and Erwin Bergdoll, wanted by the Federal government as draft dodgers, made this declaration today in her home at Wynnefield.

She spoke bitterly of the "injustice" she believes has been done her boys, who are good boys, she says, anxious to do the right thing.

Mrs. Bergdoll declared that Erwin had been given a wrong classification in the draft, in that he was a married man and was put in the first class. He should have been in the fourth class, his mother said.

"Didn't Mean to Dodge Draft"
Grover, she said, had never meant to be a draft dodger. The postal card, sent to a friend from Virginia, which got him his first notoriety, because he said in it that "the devil could not find him for two years," referred not to the draft, according to Mrs. Bergdoll, but to the wildness of the country where he had been.

He was on his way home, said Mrs. Bergdoll, when he read the story in the newspapers and feared to return to the city.

She spoke of her boys with pride, and expressed the hope that some day "one of them might be President of the United States."

Mrs. Bergdoll, a little shaken by her experience of yesterday, when patrolmen and secret service men surrounded her house for nearly twenty-four hours and finally searched it from roof to cellar, expressed the determination to fight on to get them "the same treatment that is given other draft dodgers."

She was sitting on the porch of her home with her eighty-one-year-old mother and her young niece, when intervisors today.

"I had seen Edwin before he went away," said Mrs. Bergdoll, "I would have advised him to stay home, to see the authorities and get put in his proper classification. He should not have been put in class one. He was married and a farmer. He ought to have been in class four."

Proud of Her Boys
"There are 40,000 draft dodgers in Philadelphia," said Mrs. Bergdoll. "Why pick on me and my boys? Why shouldn't they be allowed to come home? We are at peace now. They did no harm to a living soul. They wouldn't harm an enemy, let alone a friend."

"My boys are the kind of boys that would make the best presidents. They would not plunge the country into war unnecessarily. War is a terrible thing. The poor and the rich pay alike. The war we were in was an unnecessary war, I believe. We ought not to have fought other people's battles; we ought to stay in our own territory and wait till some one attacks us."

"Look what Mexico has done to us—and we have not retaliated."

"I think we ourselves were to blame for prolonging the war, more than Germany. If my house and my neighbor's

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ASKS \$10,000 HEART BALM, Katharine Loughran Alleges Townsend L. Way Broke Promise

Suit was today entered in Court No. 2 by Katharine Loughran, twenty-four years old, against Townsend L. Way, a doctor, for \$10,000 damages for alleged breach of promise of marriage.

On March 9 last, the young woman says, Way professed "undying affection" for her and they became engaged. The wedding day was fixed for June 1, it is alleged, but as it approached a sudden change came over the defendant, it is charged, and he repudiated his vow.

Miss Loughran says she spent considerable of her savings preparing for the contemplated marriage. Judge Shoemaker allowed a capias for the arrest of Way and fixed bail at \$500.

PACT AMENDED BY COMMITTEE OF U. S. SENATE

Word 'Japan' Stricken From Provision Disposing of Chinese Province

LODGE BOWS TO RADICALS SEEKING TO BEAT TREATY

Nine Favor Motion and Eight Oppose—McCumber Only Republican Against Change

Senators Ask President for U. S.-Polish Treaty

Washington, Aug. 23.—(By A. P.)—The Senate foreign relations committee today instructed Chairman Lodge to request President Wilson to send to the Senate the treaty between the United States and Poland, signed June 28 at Versailles, and such information as he has regarding the treaties now under negotiation with Austria, Bulgaria and Turkey.

By CLINTON W. GILBERT Staff Correspondent of the Evening Public Ledger

Washington, Aug. 23.—The Senate foreign relations committee today voted 9 to 8 to amend the German treaty with respect to Shantung.

They struck out the name "Japan" everywhere it occurs in Articles 156, 157 and 158, of the treaty of Versailles, and inserted the word "China." The effect is to favor the return of the province to China.

The action was taken on a straight party vote, except that Senator McCumber voted with the Democrats, Senators Hitecock, Shields and Pittman, Democrats, were absent, but were recorded as voting with the Democrats. The motion was made by Chairman Lodge.

McCumber Opposes Amendment
The result was not entirely unexpected. Senator McCumber is the only moderate Republican member of the committee. Most of the Republican members are bitter-enders. They include Senators Brandegee, Fall, Knox, Johnson, New, Moses and Borah.

That is to say, seven of the ten Republican members wish to defeat the treaty. There are only twelve members of the Senate who take that extreme position, and seven of them are on the foreign relations committee.

It is plain that Senator Lodge, to get a report out of the committee, has had to accede to the demands of the extremists in his committee. The political necessity of agreeing upon a report is extremely great, and the vote today indicates that the Democrats hope of a report without recommendations is gone.

May Alienate Moderates
On the other hand, if the counsels of the extremists prevail and further amendments are agreed to, or extreme reservations are recommended, the effect of the foreign relations committee's action will be to drive the moderate Republicans into the hands of the Democrats.

The unfortunate consequences of the President's mistaken stand on reservations before the Senate committee Tuesday and of the Pittman resolution will be more than counter-balanced by the policy of the foreign relations committee, if it is carried through consistently with regard to the league covenant.

There is no question of the temper of the Senate. It is anti-amendment, though it is less so with regard to Shantung than elsewhere.

Almost Enough Favor Ratification
The latest count shows eighteen sure moderate reservationist Republicans who can be counted upon to the end—almost enough, with the Democrats, to ratify the treaty with merely interpretative reservations.

The possibility seen here is that Tokio will take it seriously and will probably be carried to sea.

When their craft was overturned by a wave Ronan caught Cooke by the hair. For fifteen minutes he fought to hold himself and his drowning friend above the water. A fishing boat crew did not know that Ronan was holding Cooke, and in lifting Ronan aboard wrenched the boy's hold on his companion's waist.

Held for Attempted Robbery
Charged with attempted robbery, Thomas Fisher, twenty-three, of Cumberland street near Tenth, and Walter Neil, thirty-six, of the same address, were held in \$400 bail this morning for a further hearing before Magistrate Glavin, at the Fourth and York streets station. It is alleged that the men entered the store of William Hollerman, on the northwest corner of Tenth street and Gerrantown avenue, last night for the purpose of robbery.

Atlantic City Man Wants Loss by Theft Made Good
Atlantic City, Aug. 23.—All members of Atlantic City local, Coles and Waiters' union, a non-organized branch of the American Federation of Labor, were made defendants collectively in a suit for damages entered in the District Court by Harry Katz, proprietor of the Moulin Rouge, a Boardwalk resort.

Katz maintains in his action that a member of the defendant union, not named in the declaration, embezzled the sum of \$87.32, contrary to the union's signed and sealed agreement to furnish "honest and efficient craftsmen." The union, under the contract, agreed to stand responsible for losses caused to the employer by the willful act of a member." Harry Casper, business agent of the union, is designated as a co-defendant.

TODAY'S BASEBALL SCORES—NATIONAL LEAGUE
CINCINNATI..... 0 0 0 0
PHILLIES (1st).... 0 0 0
Ring and Wingo; Meadows and Traggesser. Klem and Emalle.
CHICAGO..... 0
BOSTON (1st)..... 0
Vaughn and Killefer; Causy and Wilson.

FRENCH ENVOY TO KING OF HEDJAS
PARIS, Aug. 23.—Cadi Cherbell Taleb Mohammed has been appointed French envoy plenipotentiary to the King of Hedjias and will leave Algiers for Beirut tomorrow.

GENERAL HOWZE ORDERED TO FORT BLISS
WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—(By A. P.)—Major General Robert L. Howze, who has just returned to the United States from France, where he commanded one of the regular divisions, has been ordered to proceed immediately to Fort Bliss, Texas, to take command of the El Paso border district.

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HERRON AND JONES SQUARE AT 18TH
Atlanta Entry Evens Title Match After Trailing for Many Holes

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GERMANS PLOT ANARCHY DRIVE TO UNDO PACT

"Democratic" Successors Indorse Kaiser's Agreement With Bolshevism

SEEK TO SPREAD KULTUR IN GUISE OF SOCIALISM

Teutons' Intrigue to Realize Conquest They Failed to Achieve by Arms

DOUBLE - CROSS LENINE Sinister Hints and Menaces Come From Lips of Unrepentant People

By B. F. KOSPOTH Special Correspondent of the Evening Public Ledger

Copyright, 1914, by Public Ledger Co. Geneva, Aug. 12.—Now I take it for granted that if Germany, having signed the peace of Versailles, strives loyally to fulfill her obligations and, by honest, hard work and efficiency, succeeds at last in reconquering her former position in the world, the Anglo-Saxon nations, far from grudging her this success, will be the first to recognize that she is entitled to it and to respect her for her pluck and energy.

The statements I am going to make are not inspired by implacable hostility toward the German people, and by a perverse desire to perpetuate bellicose feelings of hatred in times of peace. They are a warning I feel bound to voice, that is all.

Germany Still Sinister
For, unfortunately, Germany has accepted her just sentence in a very different spirit that bodes no good to our shattered and convulsed world.

In these few days of peace I have spoken with many Germans, prominent politicians as well as private citizens, about the problems arising from Germany's acceptance of the allied peace terms. In vain have I waited to hear one of them say: "We're in a fix, but we've only got ourselves to blame for it, and now we'll make a fresh start and make good."

Nothing but sinister hints and menaces come from German lips today, threats of new triumphs of Kaiserism from Pan-Germans, boasts of omnipotent socialist protection from Democrats and Majority Socialists, predictions of imminent world revolution and universal bolshevism from Independent Socialists and Spartacists.

Another "Scrap of Paper"
All the German parties, however divided on other subjects, are unanimously agreed that the treaty of Versailles and other "scrap of paper" and that Germany must treat it as such at the earliest opportunity.

It is useless to attempt to conceal that the spirit of hatred and revenge in which Germany has signed the peace treaties discloses the prospect of a turbulent era of plots and intrigues in Europe that promise anything but rest and reconstruction for some time to come.

Many perfectly sincere people believe that it would have been possible to avoid this dangerous period of agitation by granting the Germans "easier terms." These people forget that the German people set out to conquer the world.

During four years the Germans lived in the stupendous illusion that they were going to succeed, and it was really only on the day when their pallid fates were forced to sign the fatal treaties that they realized the full shock of their defeat and the full shock of disappointment smote them. Any peace falling short of the annexation of Belgium, the surrender of the British fleet, and the payment of a vast indemnity by America would have left the Germans ranting and planning revenge exactly as they are today.

Intricate Intrigues Revealed
What are these plots by means of which Germany hopes to undo the peace of Versailles and plunge Europe once more, if not into actual warfare, into disastrous confusion and anarchy? Beautiful lake-side city, designated to be the capital of the league that is to bring the nations of the world peace and brotherhood, is also an ideal observatory post from which to unravel these intricate intrigues against the new order established by the victors on the ruins of Prussian militarism.

I know the view is held by some Allied observers in Berlin that Germany is too utterly broken to carry out the menaces of her politicians and press. It is true that she is too disorganized and exhausted to undertake such an action alone. But she is not alone. She has allies. Upon the aid of these allies her plans are based.

The observers in Berlin who deprecate Germany's subterranean activity are too near its source to estimate its magnitude accurately. Here, in a neutral country, at the center of international intrigues and the whispering anti-chamber of western Europe, its dangers are revealed by results.

Three War Alliances
Long before the armistice, while Ludendorff's hosts were still unvanquished, Germany concluded a moral and material alliance with three great modern movements: Russian Bolshevism, International Socialism, and Oriental Nationalism. So long as the war lasted the plans the German rulers based on the co-operation of these forces were frustrated.

During the long, tense interval of the armistice the German plots ripened into isolated incidents like the military and naval mutinies in France and England.

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